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16 September 1960

1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning we discussed briefly our separation compensation plan, at the conclusion of which the Director expressed his willingness to telephone Mr. Cannon in Missouri and if Mr. Cannon so desired to send someone out to see him. However, before doing this he asked me to alert Mr. Cannon's Staff to the fact that he was going to call, that we would give them any further briefings if they so desired and that we would be glad to have one of their Staff members accompany our representative to Missouri to see Mr. Cannon if, in fact, the trip materializes. H

2. John Tietjen was over to acquaint me with the fact that he had received a memorandum from Ting Sheldon asking for a waiver on the employment of blind employees. John is very much concerned about this project. He has no objection to approving of these employees for employment if there is nothing else wrong with them; however, he points out that there may be other factors which would preclude their approval and has serious misgivings about the whole idea. I told him that I also had misgivings but that the project was too far down the road to stop. I asked him to route his reply to Ting through this office.

3. I spent most of the day with [REDACTED] Max Abramovitz and Fred King visiting and discussing the new building. This culminated in a meeting of almost an hour with the Director in the afternoon. Generally speaking Max and Fred feel that the building is going to live up to their <sup>best</sup> expectations. Their principal problem at the moment is landscaping. They also have some ideas about putting different colored gravel on the seventh floor terrace and are providing a surfaced area outside of the Director's office which he can sit on if he so desires. At this meeting we discussed briefly the problem of putting the Cornerstone in its permanent position. The contractor will do this on one week's notice. Therefore, we need to finalize the contents of the Cornerstone box. I reminded the Director that we had not finally decided whether this would include classified material and he ruled on the spot that no classified material would go in the box and asked me to expedite this matter as much as possible. H 25X1A9a

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4. On Sunday I discussed with the Director my idea of [REDACTED] in the new building in order to provide for contingencies similar to Projects JMARC, AQUATONE [REDACTED] PBSUCCESS, etc. The Director agreed wholeheartedly with this proposal. I also explained to him that in order to do this it would mean leaving some additional component out of the building and that, in my judgment, this should be the Foreign Documents Division. He also agreed with this. I told him, however, that I was not seeking final approval until I had had a chance to talk this all over with Bob Amory. He asked me to proceed with my discussions with Bob and said that I had his approval on this matter unless Bob wanted to reclamor. 25X1A2g

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